GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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PURCHASE OF DEFENCE MATERIALS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the tenders for purchasing defence materials from outside India are floated;

(b) if so, the criteria laid down therefor;

(c) whether any committee has been constituted for this purpose; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (d): Depending upon the nature of equipment/stores required and also considering their availability, bids for procurement of various items required by the Armed Forces and other entities under the Ministry of Defence are obtained both from within the country and from abroad after approval by the Competent Financial Authorities. Neither has any single Committee been set up for the purpose of approving such procurement proposals nor has it been considered essential to do so.